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## Criteria for Developing a Constructed Response Investigation

## Criteria:

- \*\*Standards-based (GEs, Vermont Framework, NSES, Benchmarks, Atlas)
- \*\*Inquiry and Investigation approach
- \*\*No equipment is needed.
- \*\*Secondary Data Analysis
  - \*Text Criticism

Students provide:

- -- Analysis of the validity of scientific claims from a reading;
- --Suggestions for experimental design to support or refute claims stated in a reading/article.
- \*Flawed Experiment

Students provide:

--Critical analysis of the design of a flawed experiment.

\*Data Interpretation

Students provide:

- --Scientific explanations elicited from narrative or graphic experimental data;
- --Creation of graph, chart or table from experimental data, followed by analysis and conclusion.
- \*\*Conceptual Analysis

Students provide:

- --Explanations of broad scientific concepts, used to explain scientific processes or phenomena.
- \*\*Construction of Questions of Models
  - \*Experimental Design

Students provide:

--Scientific materials and itemized procedures, developed in response to a proscribed problem statement.

